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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPENSATING FOR INK

CONTAINER EXTRACTION CHARACTERISTICS

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir/Madam:

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This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed May 2822002. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-4, 7, 9, 10, 13-16 and 18-21 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An inkjet printing system configured for receiving a replaceable ink container, the replaceable ink container having ink extraction characteristics that vary with ink extraction, the inkjet printing system comprising:

an ink extraction control device for determining ink extracted from the replaceable ink container and for selecting an ink usage rate print prode from a plurality of different ink usage rate print modes based on ink extraction characteristics of the replaceable ink container.

The inkjet printing system of claim 1, wherein the ink extraction 2. (Amended) control device selects the ink usage rate print mode for selectively pausing printing to reduce

An inkjet printing system configured for receiving a 3. (Twice Amended) replaceable ink container, the replaceable ink container having ink extraction characteristics that vary with ink extraction, the inkjet printing system comprising:

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an average ink usage rate.

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